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# Choice Poetry.

## THE SCOURGED BACK.

ST REV. GEORGE LANSING TATLOR.

A wilderness of scars! 15sil, by tengled furrows turn and riven! im of waves, by meeting whichwinds driven? pined, storm-shattered through the midnight bear A wreck of rayless stars!

A human form! O, God! The of one blood heat made all tribes below, is this Thy work. Thy image, mangled so? ty; thes was Thy own Son, for human wee, Scourged by the soldier's rod.

Dat skin had nerves so exquisite as thine; that fiesh could quiver, like thy child's or mine; These moscles writhed, when floods of burning beine Drenched their gushed nakedn

Whe was it done, or borne! Schold the heaw that crowns that manly form; See the strong shoulder and the sinewy arm; Twa done to crush that man into a worm! 'Twas borne in hope of motn.

A deep setenaness of unearthly grace, hele soft over every lineament its trace lell's mark behind, but Meaven's on his face, And victory on his brow.

The sun, with golden pen, wn two pictores here, and all may read; "Care'd be the fiends who wraught this deviliah deed!" May, rather cares the worse than devilish erood, That makes such Sends of mon.

Not while a conscious nation feels and thinks! for till each freeman's lifted right-nem shrinkel And God no longer reigns!

April 3, 1863, of the back of a negre who was whipped then during the preceding October, in so horrible a man serthat, although more then five months had elapsed when perictors was taken, the whole back was still a horrible use of ghastly wounds and scars.

### THE SWAMP ANGEL.

Angels of good and ill are everywhere; They hasnt the city and the cottage lose; Beir seen or naseen presence fills the air. and feels the stir of every length or moun.

ad frequent the good angels are the hane Oferil men, who name them evil things; bel derkest ministers of death and pain, Oft beer the angel light upon their wings.

here see demon of the crew behind. Whose hear's are enger for the stars of bleed.

And more a mother has the angel blessed Of the derk ewamp, es, with convulsive strain, his claus her wondering infant to her breast.

Before the wicked city's traiter hold, Stands a swamp angel, all unangel wise; Perhaps same bendman's prayer has made it bold.
Thus to put off its old and uncome guise.

And the pole hunters cares it with a group For the swamp angel is a domen still.

# Select Tale.

# THE SLAVE WIFE:

# THE SUDDEN DUEL.

## A TALE OF THE SOUTH-WEST.

American enterprise, the commercial great wealth. passion of a restless people, eager alike for glory and for gain.

ile relying altogether on his resources, he went again to the tows. without the hope of aid or comfort from kindred or friends. Nature had endowed

On arriving at his new sphere of acall. In this crisis of his fate, he conreivel a plan that looked, in the light of you harbor them." soher reason, wild and visionary. He mile of the city, for the purpose of sap- on my plantation." plying the entry, for the purpose of sup-on my plantation. The hapmend and the with vegetables, which "No. sir, I am not mistaken. The

and the little garden expanded into a field. To sum up the general result in a single sentence, the end of three years mer, and gasped—" Merciful God l it found him not only independent, but cannot be so. This man must be insane,

Having amassed sufficient fortune to Having amsseed sufficient fortune to "If you doubt my word," said the satisfy his desires, he thought of selling Colonel, twirling his watch seel angrily, ont, and recurring again to the profession "yonder comes old Judge Rice, who is which he had been forced to abandon, familiar with the circumstances, and can when an incident occurred to change his prove every item of my assertions."

purpose. A family by the name of The individual alluded to, who had Garcia, assumed to be of Spanish origin, arrived at Brownsville from New Orleans bar for many years, confirmed the stranger's leans. They were apparently in afficent ctory in all its particulars.

circumstances, intelligent, polished in It would be impossible to give the -se that the new addition to the society as a white piece of paper.

of frontier life. household who immediately became an especial favorite in the community, and drew the admiring attention of every obtained the remembrance of his craft, boldly of flesh and blood that breathe the com- increased with more than compound indark in its tints, but literally translucent, ously. where the blood could be seen spreading "How much do you expect me to pay blush of maiden modesty. Her eyes, of Parkes, with an awfal smile. sea of light - wild, wavering, and mixed besides the retors of her fortune, amountof indescribable symmetry. But her nese.

scarce in the community, and this bean- growing white with rage. tiful creature, who seemed to have drop- "Then take it new!" shouled Parkes, ped, as it were, suddenly from the striking the other with such force in the clouds, before the end of six mouths had face that be rolled on the ground. refused buff a bundred excellent offers However, the little boy called Capid, and wining crimson streams from his who searches out every fair form, as a month and nose, vociferated -" I claim mark for his flaming arrows, found her mortal satisfaction on the snot !"

In company with a number of young replied the gardener, in a voice which repersons, she paid a visit of mere curiosity to the famous flower garden, and fell in love, at first sight, with the handsome had collected around the scene, prefered proprietor, who responded to her affect their services as seconds, and the terms tion with equal arder. The fruits of of the duel were immediately arranged. their paion, within three years, were a It was settled that the two principals son and daughter, who, as a matter of should each be armed with a pistol, and course, became the idols of their fond assuming their stations twenty yards father and mother; for it seems to be a apart, at the signal might stand or adgeneral, if not universal psycological vance, and fire when they pleased. law, that human parents love their children in propertion to their possionate and steadily, with moderate steps, towards At the close of the Mexican war, the white cottage, in the meantime, had been as a marble statue in his position, with ety of Brownsville, on the Rio Grande erected in the midst of the flower-garden, his arm elevated firmly, and his eye River, and immediately opposite to Mat- and the business of the happy horticul- gleaming through the sights with deadly the citadel, either for having refused to thorse, sprang up suddenly, as if by turist prospered more than ever, so that aim at its mortal mark. When the othmagic, developing in the course of a few with the addition of the ample fortune er arrived at the distance of ten paces, mentle. This singular flow of emigra- brought into the matrimonial partnership the pistol pointed at his heart, exploded tion and rapid advancement in business, by his beautiful companion, he might be with a loud roar-but he faltered not, trict of Troki, (Elarichki, 30 inhabitwe the result of the living spirit of well considered for that country a man of paused not, changed not his march. The ante: Schalicki, 15; and Schilany, 10,)

warmed to the Rio Grande in the first lovely wife in a paroxyem of tears, and his foe, when, for the first time raising the linen necessary for them and children. Prime of its golden promise, was a young evincing other tokens of the utmost ter- the fatal weapon, he blew out the Colon- The old men, the sick, and the children larger, one Elam Parkes, recently from ror and anguish. But all his urgent en- el's brains! Parkes, with his family, were packed in carts like bales of goods. South Carolina. Although descended treaties failed to elicit any explanation and all the Garcias, the next day moved from an ancient line of ancestors, and from her lips, except the assertion that into Mexico, where they yet remain .bearing in his veins the blood of the rev- she felt oppressed with a strange forebo- New York Sunday Times. oletion, and having received a classical ding of some unknown and mysterious, equation yet his father's vices having but dreadful danger. However, after she quandered an immense fortune, the son became, in a degree, more tranquil, hav-

On his arrival, he was accosted in the passed from his control, both figureially not make them rise. They preferred to through the hours of the night she watch-street by a person he did not resollect to and editorially. His unfortunate produce on their native soil rather than go to ed his unessy slumbers; often he repeated him with a handsome person, excellent have seen before. The stranger was a pensity for strong drink entirely unfitting live in the midst of savage tribes and in
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became necessary	know that he was dreaming of her; and

Streaked with silver, and a massive form, him a homestead, and persuaded num to who were instructed not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted in the courts, and this had allocated in the courts are constant to the sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers to take the road of exile.—Polish Contracted not to be sparing of the unfortunate villagers appolize every case of the smallest im- ments. A hoge golden seal, enclosing a for the Union without an "if, or a but." pertance. It was evidently impossible costly stone, dangled from his heavy to sit down and patiently wait until watch chain, which he twirled incessant tone to the columns of the Journal, and matters should mend by the doubtful ev- ly with his fingers. He spoke in a loud, hence, upon the most vital question of olutions of time or chance. The price brusque tone. "Mr. Parkes—they say the nation gives an "uncertain sound." of board and lodging was dear, and his that is your name—allow me to introwardrobe needed renovation even before duce myself. I am Col. Powers, of New he was fitted to appear in the forum at Orleans, and have visited Texas in search

"You have been misinformed," re sold off his books at auction, and with plied the gardener, sternly. "There is the proceeds opened a garden, within a not a slave, nor even a colored person, tile of the city for the city

special at that period to be extremely woman that you call your wife is a slave. both the will and the wisdom to turn the Here is a Bill of Sale containing the rich alluvion of the region to any acsount. As the experiment flourished, whose bodies I paid down three thousand and Mexican labor was very cheap, the dellars. There you behold the seal of st-storney urged his operations farther, the recorder's court P'

or I am dreaming !"

circumstances, intelligent, polished in It would be impossible to give the their manners, and remarkably handsome faintest idea of the indescribable agony in their persons. They were all dark- depicted in the countenance of Mr. featured, as is commonly the fact with Parkes, as the actounding truth, with all the race from which they claimed their its horrible consequences, barst upon his descent. Indeed, they made it a matter soul, like a flesh of lurid lightning. He of boast that a slight tincture of Moorish turned pale as death, and staggered, as if blood colored the current in their veins, about to fall to the earth; but, by a Wealth possesses a golden key to unlook great effort, he wrestled for a minute or the most exclusive doors, and beauty has more with his grief, and, conquering, the force of fire to melt the hardest hearts became anddenly calm, but still pallid

of the Rio Grande, as one might well "Why has this master been kept a imagine, caused the utmost entusiasm, secret so long?" the gardener demanded, and was hailed as an era in the history in tones of terrible meaning. " Was it a cunning device to win gold out of bu-There was one member of this comely man tears and the blood of innocent

server, by the powers of her unspeakable avowed his infamy. "Yes," he said, "I lovelinees. May Garcia was one of those was smart. I noticed how beautiful the rare combinations of graceful form, lu- slaves were, and I determined to make minous features, and spiritual expression, it pay the highest figure. I had them that recembles the faultiess ideals of im- well educated, and made the fools think agination, or the radiant pictures of af they were really free. Under this imfection which glitter in the dreams of pression, they removed to the Rio Grande early youth, rather than the real shapes I gave them money, which they have mon air, and mingle with the things of terest, and now I have some to get pay earth. Her small, regular, exquisite for all my trouble." And the anblushface, revealed a complexion somewhat ing villain twirled his watch chain joy-

its rich, resy suffusion like an unlading for my wife and children ?" inquired the deepest jet, appeared to awim in a "I must have ten themsand dollars,

with liquid fire. Her long, dark hair ing to as much more!" answered the flowed freely around a bust and bosom Colonel, with the most business-like coolvoice possessed the most marvelous fasci- "Sconndrel, coward, thief, assessin!" Michaline Plater has recently had to nation of all. It was clear, silvery, and you shall never own one cent from the expiete the political lostre of her name, anguish was written on her brow.

tones, at the fall of each sentence, like Parkes, in a voice of the lisping mormor of soft winds among "Mind what you say, for I will have into the records of the past. It has been mother; so I came for you." Females of every description were word von employ !" cried the Colonel,

But Powers anddonly regained his feet, "Yes, you shall have it-now-here!"

sembled the wrathful yell of a demon. Some accommodating bystanders, who

At the word, Parkes moved calmly

bullet had hit a silver coin which hap have been condemned to compulsory em-One bright morning is mid-summer, pened to be in the pocket of his vest, igration beyond the Ourel, after seeing and that alone saved his life. He never all their property confiscated. The wo-the gardener was astenished to find his stopped until he was within three feet of men were not allowed to take with them

was left poor, to fight the fierce battle of ing an affair of importance to arrange, nal, I regret to say, is sinking deeper and deeper. The paper has long since -Louisville Correspondent Detroit Ad-

The editor of a Democratic paper in Nevala Territory acknowledges the defeat of his party in his city very briefly. He says: "We met the enemy yesterday and are out on parole this merning.

# BESEL POSTRY .- " IN A FAMILY WAY."

Miscellaneous.

Joff.'s teen up his old money-bogs. Having nothing like such to put in 'em-or firmers are smarked up by deseas; But this le all nothing, they say; For bankrapts, since Adam, are so But 'tis all in a family way.

Our debts not a shilling take from us, As statesmen the matter explain: Beb ewes it to Tale, and then Them

Just ower it to Sob back again. Singe all thes have takes to owing, There's nobody left that one pay; And that Is the way we keep going, All just in a family way.

Our Congressmen vote away millions, To put in the buge Southern badget; And if it were billions or trillions. The generous reques would not gradge it.

ht but a family hop, And Jeff began descing, they my-'Tie all in a family way.

Our rich cotton-pleaters all tamble-The poor enes have nothing to chew; Their stomashs andoebtedly do: For sare, to be hanger on famille,

And famine itself is but genteel, When one starves in a family way. But I've found out a secret for Jeffy-A secret for next badget day-Though he spare my advice in a jiffy, As be, too, 's a sage in his way:

Announces the Devil to pay, Just write on the bill, note bear,

### Por it's all in a family way. CONFED. A. D. 1865.

Rassian Brutality.

In addition to the periodical convoys of political prisoners sent away from this led her from the brilliant seems. place by Gen. Manravieff every fortnight, he also frequently orders the transport of ladies without any trial. Thus Conutees no denying its truth" ringing, with a gentle cadence in its earnings of my years of teil!" exclaimed Unable to make up any present offence bloody satisfaction for every insulting discovered that the Countess Plater was "I shall go to him," deputed in 1851, with other ladies, to dissenting, she added : "He is my affithetral. For this offence the Countess has been sentenced to transportation to the Government of Novogorod. Mauravieff has, during the last fortnight, ordered the banishment to Siberia of one hundred persons belonging to different classes of society. Among this number are M. Thomas Bulhak, who has already nassed eighteen years in Siberia : Alexnder Zdanowicz, Professor of History, and his son, a young man baving obtaind a diploma in the University of St. Petersburg. The two latter were arrested because the police found at the house of M. Zdanowicz's son various papers which had been traitorously placed there by an unknown hand. The handsome bouse of Zdanowicz was confiscated, and after the expulsion of the residents, converted into a barracks. A number of other persons, landed proprietors, functionaries and physicians, have been imprisoned in sign addresses, or upon other ridiculous pretexts. Within a short time the pep-ulation of three large villages of the dis-The able-bodied individuals followed on foot, and had to traverse in this manner more than 1,000 versts in frozen regions. When the troops, after having surroundpeople threw themselves to the ground,

> tic story of the President is narrated to more comfortable quarters, and then in a letter from Washington. When the the Chaplain received an urgent invita-telegraph from Cumberland Gap reached tion to visit him. But the soldier's face Linceln that "firing was heard in the direction of Knoxville," be remarked that "be was plad of it." Some person present, who had the perile of Burnside's position uppermost in his mind, could not see why Lincoln should be "glad of it." Some person present was a quiet wedding. The and so expressed himself. "Why, you and so expressed himself. "Why, you minds me of Mrs. Ballie Ward, a neighbor of mine, who had a large family, his wife would not leave bor of mine, who had a large family, his wife would not leave that if a mae is guilty of treason toward the Government, try him—give him a trial. This privilege was extended to C. L. This privilege was extended to C. L. Washington Republication of the calculations of the calculations of the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to ward the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to ward the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to the Capitol, it is contently a somewhat the Government, try him—give him action to wash the Government, try him—give him action the Capitol, it is contently to the Capitol, the Capitol, the Capitol minds me of Mrs. Sallie Ward, a neigh-bor of mine, who had a large family. his wife would not leave convicted every time. First, by a court during the country, his wife would not leave The first man killed in this war was Occasionally one of her numerous proge-Thomas Barber, of Ohio. He was as ny would be heard erying in some out-

attering cries of despair. Blows could

to send a second detachment of soldiers,

## AT CHATTANOOGA

"Kathleen! Kathleen!" The wildness of delirium was in his eye, as it Pass round the bettle, boys! Drink to the Dertl, men! glanced around, but in an instant his Fire up your hearts with the spirit of bell! beed sank heavily upon the pillow, as be murmured of home and a mother's

"Whom do you wish to see ?" asked the nurse, as she gently smoothed the pillow and bathed the searred face of the ouffering soldier.

"Are you Kathleen ?" and the wildly gleaming eye was fixed searchingly upon the face of the nurse, pale and weary from long watching. She would humer him; she thought, perhaps, he might sleep if believing his friends near, so she bowed assent, speaking in low gentle tenen

"My Kathleen is young and beautiful, with rosy sheeks and bright eyes; and you-you are old and ugly, hollow cheeks and white hair," and with the strength of delirium be pushed her from

Then she told him Kathleen was coming and would be there soon : and he, soothed into a quiet sleep by listening to her words, slept for hours; and when the morning's dawn roused him, reason had resumed her throne. Yet weak and belpless as a child, be thought not of himself, only for those who wept for him in far off homes.

Kathleen Everdell was beautiful as a fairy, with laughing blue eyes, a complexion, the blending of the rose and lily, and brown hair falling in clustering ringlets over dimpled cheeks; and the acknowledged queen of beauty among the youthful guests that thronged the drawing-rooms of the aristocratic Mrs. Arden, the leader of the fashion in a Western city. The centre of a gay group, she looked up with surprise to the sed face of her father as he same near, but the lew-spoken words that fell on her ear chilled her heart, and pale, trembling and half-fainting, her father

"Is it only a rumor-speak quickly." "A telegram, my child, and there is "Mortally wounded !" and anutterable

"Seriously was the word, but I

interesde with Gen. Nazimoff in favor of saced husband, and if ill and dying, my some young men found guilty of having place is by his side. Will you go with sung patriotic hymns in the Wilna Ca- me, my father?"

> "Too late; no visitors admitted after this hour." were the words addressed to fellows, educated and agreeable. But Kathleen and her father, as they stood at the great mass of Southern men are the hospital.

> Silently she turned away, thinking it or visiters came, too late to bear his voice, and the weight on her heart seemed crushing out her life. But the father sought the presence of the surgeon, who, to his argent request to be admitted, re- army of brutes, commanded by wretches plied, though the young lieutenant was very seriously ill, there was no prespect of immediate death, and it were better to defer the visit until to-morrow.

> His daughter's hopes of future happiess were centered in the life and wellbeing of the wounded soldier, the father said, and he could not return to her with those words of denial; it were too painful to look upon her ead face and tearful eyes. The surgeon's heart wes touched; he thought of one in a far-off home, who in the first year of their blended lives, he had left at his country's call; he knew how self-sacrificing was her love. and for her sake he would de as he would wish another to do if he were sick, per- their persons trinkets made of Yankee hape dying, and his wife requested to see skulls. im, so be said, "Bring the young lady, and she must not speak until he recog-

It was night, and the hospital had a gloomy look. As Kathleen drew near, s windows were dimly lighted, and a vision of suffering and death flitted before her mind's eye as she entered. Sileatly the susgeon led her to a cot, and, position. as she looked down on the bandaged beed and pale face, it was with the strongest effort of the will that she could refrain from speaking his name. All when his eye looked up into her face, and she kissed his scarred brow, he pres-

bim; if wounded again, she wished to martial; second, by General Burnside; third day throughout the wister—quite to out- be near, and so she too, waited for the third, by Judge Leavitt; fourth, by the sufficient to enable us to slip on runners

## A REBEL REFRAIS.

Strike the lead hawgag! we'll have a wild revel, men! Doing the deeds of foul Sends, when they full! Down with the "stripes and stan Up with the "stam and bert!" Heil to Jeff. Davis-the King of our band! Pose round the can again;

Old Buck and Brecklaridge - Suckner and Bearer Benedict Arnolds of baser degree lack-hearted traitors, arones ye! and show regard! Drain your "blue rain" to renegade Los! On with the revel, men!

Drink, overy man, again!

We will be relers, or ruin the land!

Demons of darkness ne'er dwelt upon load. Daring to do the deeds Done by our party ernede-

Davis, our King-and the rest of one band! Core full of each! to our well-beloved Benjamin He is a thief of a lower degree; Whiskey or gin may arouse some revenge in him-Dear to the devile who join in our spree! Such "white trash" as Slidell,

And Mason, the idle, Are not worth the dregs of the glass in your head! Bet Mamball-big eater! And Price-the Retreater! Have raised vast acres of Uncle Sem's land!

Floyd is a double-dyed traitor most infamous! Yet he stole our arms - and Uncle sam's "tin" for to-Give him his due-though it blacken hie famel He, and George Critteed Dogs that have bit again

Bands that were holding most promising food! When our foe "Forward" cries. They show their cowardice-Floatng, like gallows-birds, home to their broad! m't strain your lange, my lade, shouting for Walker He's but a speat to the whales of our sea

humper for Stephens-the Devil's own talker, On black or white subjects - whichever they b Drink deep to the tall fry-Waste none on the small fry-Drain the fingon of death to our beloved land! And should our King's crown fall, Old Uncle Sam's dewnfall Will follow the rain begon by our band!

ere round the bottle, boys! Drink to the Devil, men Fire up your hearts with the spirit of hell! trike the loud hewgag! We'll have a grand re-Doing the deeds of foat fiends, when they fell ! Down with the "strings and stars!"

Up with the "stars and bare!" Hail to Jeff. Davis-the King of our band! Pass round the can again Drink, every man, again! We will be rulers, or ruin the land!

A Chattanooga letter says : We have been taught to regard the Southern man as the type of generosity and Chivalry. My acquaintance with ently. Occasionaly I met a high-toned, chivalric gentleman, kind and courteous, honorable in all his intercourse with his the great mass of Bouthern men are widely different. They are ignorant and ill-natured, excessively vain, brutal in light be late, when the morning hour their habits and intellects, and exhibits a total disregard of courtesies and amenities which should obtain among gentlemen. The latter are the rule the former the exception. What army, except an would for thirty days allow the bodies of their enemies slain in battle to remain festering, rotting, unburied ? And vet these gentlemen of the South, these "high toned, chivalric Southern gentlemen !" had up to the first of November, failed to give our brave boys the poor privilege of burial. The blackened corpses pollute the air for miles around the river of death, the food of begs and earrion birds. We have this from a citizen of that region, who, just before he reached our lines, passed over the battlefield. This disregard of the decencies of warfare, is only paralleled by the conduct of Southern dames in displaying upon

A special dispatch from Bridgeport. Ala., under date of December 4th, has the following: A burial party, under Gen. Groes, has

just returned from the old battle field of Chicksmauga, and report having decently buried over four hundred bodies, generally in an advanced stage of decom-There are yet many unburied. It probable another party will be sent to

finish the good work. General Bragg and the rebel army have written themselves brutes and barbarians by their wanton disregard of the claims of humanity. Your correspondent accompanied the

which if he had not seen personally, he would be nawilling to believe. Of the est was a brother of John Brown, who whole number unburied, two only were stated that four years after he witnessed Confederates, and these were evidently his brother's execution in Virginia, on mistaken for Federals.

True.—The butternut Democracy say, into the calculations of the architect of Thomas Barber, of Ohio. He was asassainated in the Fall of 1855, by a Missouri "Peace Democrat," who shot him
in the back.

Mr. Turner, of Texas, speaks of Bucheman as the "poulties that drew the recheman as the "poulties that the poulties that the poulties that the poultie

The Patriarch Abraham's Fam

A SERMON BY THE REV. THEO. E. CUYLER. In the Lefayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn.

Nehemiah viii. 10 vs. "Go your way, eat the fat and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared." This is a day of family festivity.

Each household clusters about its own fireside and smoking table. Christian congregations flow together fato one temple as one household of faith. And the great family of the loval States, upder the appointment of our Patriarch Abraham, are called to-day to observe an united season of thanksgiving to the Lord. God grant ere another annual thanksgiving day come around, the sundered and belligerent members of our American family may be under one national roof again-the "wayward sisters" all home again, penitent and purified-the whole thirty-five glad to wipe away the tears and blood, and to kisseach other and be at peace. I am sure that we will welcome them, if they come back in the right way and with the right spirit. they must fling away forever that assassin's knife, which in a moment of insane rage, they drew upon the elder members of the family. They must punish or banish the wretched seducers who led them into corepiracy and treason; they must promise to behave themselves and submit to national law and authority. Even the wilful "Effe Deans" of the family Carolina, who first led her silly sisters into sin, may come back if she will enter the Union door as an humble member and not as the haughty mistress of the house. She must agree to east away her two idol-gods, Calboun and Secession. She must put back the old banner of the stars on the staff whence traitor bands have torn it down. She ean't be permitted to bring back with her her tribe of ragged bond-servants and bond maids, for the father of of the family (God bless him !) has set them free as the penalty of her misconduct; be eays, too, that his "promire shall be kept." Nor can her rebellious sisters bring their chattels into the house sgain. Why should they? God also gave the negro hands to receive wages in; why should they not have their honest does ? The Creator ordained that labor should as in a New England factory or on a Western prairie. And when those now deluded Southern sisters come to their senses under the smart of their sorrows. they will find that we only did them a blessed service when we forced them to do their own work, and adorn their own magnificant inheritance. Their fields will be as fair and beautiful as ours. Their communities will rival ours in refinement and prosperity. Their rivers will be as musical with buzzing wheels and spindles as the mountain-streamlets of New England. Their deserted wharves -now visited occasionally by a "long. low, black" Pirate-eraft, steelthily shunning a blockade-will be crowded with the laden argosies of every clime. Free schools will dot every plain, and free labor will cover every savannah with waving crops of corn, rice and cotton. Our dark-eyed sisters of the South will then have se tidy a house to live in and as beautiful an inheritance to leave to their children as their fair-haired sisters of the North and West. God great that the deluded truants may come back before their every feld is desolated, and

A Jons Brown Cornerpance.—It will be seen, by referring to our report of the meeting at the Union League rooms last party, and was witness of brutality, evening, that among the persons who which if he had not seen personally, he addressed the Virginia rafages there presthe anniversary of that day he saw the crowning section of the Status of Proeders SIX TRIALS, AND FOUND GUILTY EVERY raised to its place on the dome of the

their every home resonnds with wailing

for the dead ! They cannot come back

too soon-for come they must And let

me tell you that angels in Heaven and

good men on earth will shout Hal-

lelojaha when they see this warring.

wounded, woe-worn household of Amer-

ics all sitting together again under one

banner, around one table, keeping once

more a family Thanksgiving day. Af-

ter this brief introduction on National

affairs, the speaker passed to a lengthy

discussion of social charities. The duties

of those who "eat the fat and drink the sweet" towards the poor were point-

ed out. The best systems for relieving

the needy and avoiding panperism were

fully set forth; and after an earnest ap-

peal for the liberated contrabands, a col-

lection was taken up for the "National

Freedman's Society."